(c) if so, what is the reaction of the Sangathan thereto?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI P. SHIV SHANKER): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) Provision for promotion on the basis of seniority-cum-fitness already exists for all teaching posts in Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan. However, promotion is made on the basis of merit to the posts of Headmasters/Head Mistresses, Vice-Principals, Principals which require administrative competence also. The demand of All India Kendriya Vidyalaya Teachers Association is not acceptable as these posts are selection posts where merit is to be given precedence.

Confirmation of the teachers in K.V.S.

943. SHRI ANAND PRAKASH GAUTAM: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Kendriya Vidyalaya teachers are required to be confirmed on their initial posts a year after they complete their probation period of one/two years;

(b) if so, whether it is also a fact that there are number of Post Graduate teachers who have not yet been confirmed though they were initially appointed in 1969 and 1977; and

(c) if so, what are the details thereof and reasons for not confirming them so far?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI P. SHIV SHANKER): (a) The Assistant Commissioners of Regional Offices are competent to confirm the teachers after successful completion of the probationary period of two years.

(b) and (c) Since confirmation of teachers is done by the Regional offices, the details are not maintained in the Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan Headquarters.

Conditions for calling untrained candidates for interview

944. SHRI ISH DUTT YADAV: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) what are the conditions in which untrained candidates for the post of T.G.T. and Primary Teachers in Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan can be called for interview;

(b) whether any change has recently been effected in these conditions; and

(c) if so, what are the details thereof and justification therefor?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI P. SHIV SHANKER): (a) to (c) For the post of Primary Teachers, there is no provision in the recruitment rules to call untrained candidates for interview. For the post of Trained Graduate Teachers, earlier the academic qualification was University Degree/ Diploma in Education Teaching. This could be relaxed for a period of two years for candidates who had obtained 60% and above marks in the aggregate in B. Sc./BA or equivalent examination and 55% and above in Master's Degree examination. This two year relaxation could be extended for one year if the candidate was not able to acquire the teaching degree/ diploma within the stipulated period of 2 years for reasons beyond his control. In order to attract the academically more brilliant candidates, the requirements have since been changed as follows:

"For those candidates who have obtained 60% and above in the aggregate in BA/B.Sc. or equivalent examination and 65% or above in Science subject, 60% or above in Arts or 55% or above in Commerce in Master's Degree examination, the requirement of degree/diploma in teaching may be relaxed for a period of 3 years."